

week, in the year 1941, and every four years thereafter, for the hearing of applications for reinstatements by persons whose names shall have been stricken off. The said respective officers of registration shall sit at said several sittings, with open doors from eight o'clock A. M. to eight o'clock P. M. on each day of their sessions, and their proceedings, while so sitting, shall be public and open to free inspection, without any obstruction whatever.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and having been passed by a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved January 9, 1941.

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## CHAPTER 2.

(Senate Bill 57)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Sections 285, 285A and 285B of Article 22 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Washington County", sub-title "Hagerstown", as enacted by Chapter 362 of the Acts of 1939, providing for the nomination by primary election of candidates for offices of Mayor and Councilman, requiring statements of candidacy and the payment of filing fees, providing for the preparation of ballots and the manner of conducting such elections, and also providing for the registration of voters.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Sections 285, 285A and 285B of Article 22 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Washington County", sub-title "Hagerstown", as enacted by Chapter 362 of the Acts of 1939, be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

285. Candidates for the offices of Mayor and Councilman to be voted for at all general municipal elections at which a Mayor and City Councilmen are to be elected under the provisions of Article 22 shall be nominated by a primary election and no other name shall be